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## **An Act To Establish a Moratorium on School Administrative Regionalization**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** some school administrative units are not able to come into compliance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 103-A by the July 1, 2009 deadline; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRS §1455** is enacted to read:

### **§ 1455. Implementation delayed**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a school administrative unit in existence on the effective date of this section that is not in compliance with this chapter on July 1, 2009 is not required to implement the provisions of this chapter and rules adopted under section 1454 until July 1, 2010. A penalty may not be imposed for failure to comply with this chapter prior to July 1, 2010.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill allows school administrative units an additional year to come into compliance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 103-A, which contains the provisions for regional school units.